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\$1 A YEAR

"IN THE GOOD OLD SUMMER TIME"

WHAT IS
MORE REFRESHING
THAN A GLASS OF

Ice Cold Soda Water

MILK SHAKE,
COCA COLA,
CHAMPAGNE MIST,

or some other one of the Delicious Beverages drawn from the Fountain of

D. G. Smith,

THE DRUGGIST.

Cleanliness is a Fact at my Soda Fountain.

A Card.

To the Public:
It is brought to my attention that a report is being circulated throughout the county to the effect that a "caucus" was held in Madison on Monday night at which I together with another legislative candidate was selected as the choice of the "caucus" for legislative honors. Also, that my election was made with the understanding that after election I would prepare and introduce a bill for the bonding of the county in a large sum for the building of clay roads therein.

I do not believe such a caucus was held.

If it was it was without my knowledge or consent, and up to this moment I have failed to find any person whomsoever who was present at such "caucus" or who knows anything about it.

I have already stated, and do so again, that I am a candidate for Representative solely upon my own account. I have not entered into any "deal" or combination with any other candidate before the people, nor have I spoken of any one of them except in kindest terms.

I again invite attention to that paragraph of my circular letter mailed to the people concerning good roads. It plainly states my position on the question. Respectfully,

COLUMBUS B. SMITH.

Circuit Court Convenes.

The spring term of the Circuit Court in and for Madison county convened promptly Monday at 11 o'clock with Judge Palmer presiding and States Attorney Roberson at his post of duty. Attorneys present at the opening of court were Judge E. J. Vann, Messrs. H. J. McCall, C. B. Ashler, R. H. Rowe, J. L. Dowling, Chas. E. Davis, of the local bar, and J. N. Stripling of Jacksonville, and Jno. G. McCall of Quitman. The jury roll was called and the following gentlemen were named as Grand Jurors for the term: R. D. Rowe, Foreman, D. P. Beasley, clerk, S. B. Hamrick, T. F. Calhoun, J. T. Morrow, P. G. Blackwell, W. D. Lamb, C. W. Gibbs, J. S. Day, James Turlington, F. M. Tooke, D. A. Rich and J. D. Jackson, N. B. Sandage, W. H. Browning, J. T. Flower, T. E. Davis and R. A. Garner. The charge of the court was lengthy and particularly able and impressive. Judge Palmer dwelt at length on the criminal statutes of the State and close attention was paid to his charge. After sounding the criminal docket the court was adjourned until the afternoon in order to give way to the campaign speakers.

A special venire was issued for 50 jurors returnable this morning, when the case of the State vs O. P. Smith will be tried.

The Cross of Honor.

At the exercises of Memorial Day, April 26th, one of the impressive features of the occasion will be the presentation to the old soldiers of Madison county by Elizabeth Harris Chapter, U. D. C. of the Confederate Cross of Honor, one of which will be given to each of the following named veterans who served their country gallantly and bravely in the dark days of civil war:

W. T. Blair,
Samuel Burnett,
T. C. Bradford,
G. W. Bennett,
E. H. Bunker,
W. M. Cornet,
D. N. Cox,
W. H. Caraway,
W. E. Casser,
G. W. Collins,
M. C. Drew,
W. H. Dial,
R. V. Ferrell,
F. J. B. Fox,
G. B. Faircloth,
Peter Goza,
H. B. Gibson,
H. R. Horton,
N. D. Hughey,
J. W. Jeffcoat,
Clem Lanier,
A. Livingston,
J. P. Lyons,
James P. Martin,
B. F. Moseley,
L. M. Manning,
W. L. Parramore,
Theodore Randell,
R. G. Russell,
C. D. Tuten,
John W. Vann,
B. D. Wadsworth,
W. W. Whitlock,
D. A. Y. Welch.

Are You a Dyspeptic?

If you are a dyspeptic you owe it to your friends to get well. Dyspepsia annoys the dyspeptic because his diseases sours his disposition as well as his stomach. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will not only cure dyspepsia, indigestion and sour stomach, but this palatable, reconstructive tonic digestant strengthens the whole digestive apparatus, and sweetens the life as well as the stomach. When you take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure the food you eat is enjoyed. It is digested, assimilated and its nutrient properties appropriated by the blood and tissues. Health is the result. Sold by W. B. Davis.

A Fine Political Meeting.

About three hundred of the solid citizens of Madison county assembled in the court house Monday afternoon to listen to the first speaking which has taken place in Madison since the opening of the campaign. The distinguished gentlemen who addressed the gathering were the various candidates for United States Senator and Governor. Chairman Leslie of the County Executive committee presided and introduced the speakers. The first speaker was Hon. Dan Little H. Mays—"the plowboy of Madison and the statesman of Jefferson"—who is seeking the nomination for Governor. Mr. Mays feelingly referred to the incident of his birth and early life in Madison county and felt that in speaking to a Madison county audience he was talking to his own people. Mr. Mays' address was impressive and at times eloquent. He declared himself unequivocally against Trusse, favored the primary system of nominations, wanted the Railroad Commission a permanent institution with increased power, advocated the building of good roads and was in favor of pensioning indigent Confederate soldiers. His remarks were heartily received. The speaker deprecated the methods of his opponents and declared that a reference to himself in a circular issued by candidate Broward concerning the disposition of several millions of acres of State lands was unfair and unjust. He plainly and emphatically stated that if elected governor his best efforts would be expended for the protection of the people against the encroachments of corporations. Mr. Mays spoke for thirty minutes and was heartily cheered several times during his speech.

The next speaker was Hon. C. M. Brown, of Marion county, also candidate for governor. Mr. Brown once captured the audience with his humor and wit. He was of the opinion that the governor of Florida should weigh 240 pounds and be sixty years of age. In a good natured way he provided that accepting that rule as a standard he was the only eligible candidate for the place and showed how, at the expiration of his term, Broward would be eligible and when his term was ended Mays should be next in succession. He was of the opinion that Davis could never be eligible. Mr. Brown was both humorous and pathetic, and the verse with which he concluded his remarks called forth a storm of applause.

The next speaker was Hon. John N. C. Stockton, candidate for U. S. Senator. Upon arising Mr. Stockton was greeted with applause, and he at once launched forth into a speech both eloquent and impressive. He attacked the record of Senator Taliaferro and scorned the idea of his being in truth a "business Senator." Mr. Stockton told the people how he had been honored time and again by the people of Jacksonville with positions of honor and trust. He declared that his life had been one of construction and not destruction. He was confident of his election because the honest people of Florida were behind him. The Trusts received his attention and vigorous condemnation. He spoke forty minutes, and in that time touched upon every question of importance in the campaign. At the close of his speech he received loud applause.

Decidedly the best and most impressive speech of the day was that of Napoleon B. Broward, candidate

for governor. Mr. Broward is a big man physically and has a heart in him as big as an ox. He is an impressive talker and convinces his hearers that he is sincere in all he says. His speech lasted 65 minutes, and he discussed exhaustively the matter of State lands sought to be secured by certain railroads. With a large map he illustrated his remarks, and the attention which he received from the audience was marked. Mr. Broward made a splendid impression upon the people and received a generous share of applause.

Governor Jennings, the last speaker, was somewhat handicapped by the lateness of the hour. The people were tired and many of them left the hall during the governor's speech. He spoke only 35 minutes but in that time gave an excellent account of his administration and promised much if elected U. S. Senator. The governor is an earnest and impressive speaker and his remarks were cordially received.

Quite a number of ladies graced the occasion by their presence and close attention to the speakers. The meeting was a good one in every respect and each of the speakers gained friends and supporters.

The second chapter in the political book will be told on Saturday next when Senator Taliaferro, Col. Robt. W. Davis and other distinguished speakers will be present to address the citizens of Madison county.

Death of Cora May Jenkins.

At the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Jenkins in this county on March 31st, little Cora May Jenkins died, age seven years, two months and a few days.

Six weeks ago she was stricken with fever in its worst form, suffering intensely at times but bore it heroically, and it was thought that she might be the victor in the struggle, but even while we hoped and prayed that Heaven would spare our treasure, the death angel was hovering near, and on Thursday, March 31st, at five o'clock a. m., her spirit left its frail tenement of clay and took its flight to a fairer home, and to Him who said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

She was the youngest child, and of course the idol of the family. She leaves a father, mother, a sister, two brothers and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her untimely demise.

She was an unusually bright and winsome child, and her innocent smile and pleasant ways will ever linger in our memories. Surely, death loves a shining mark.

The body was interred at Macedonia cemetery, the funeral services being conducted by the pastor, Rev. I. J. Clements in a beautiful, comforting and impressive way. The floral tributes on casket and mound were lovely.

The little lips are silent now;
The willing hands are still;
A vacant place in a home
That never can be filled.

Yet we bow in humble submission to thy will, Oh God! knowing that thou art too wise to make a mistake; too good to be unmerciful to those who trust in thee. We know we shall see her again in a home where there shall be no more good-byes.

To the sorrowing ones we tender our deepest sympathies, and point them to Him whose love can comfort them. Your darling is safe in the beautiful mansions above where sorrow, pain and death cannot come, but all is light and joy eternal.

She is safe, safe in the arms of Jesus.

M. V. Rye.

Minutes of School Board.

The Board met promptly at ten o'clock and was called to order by the chairman. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved and the reports of the Superintendent were heard and ordered filed.

A delegation of citizens from the Live Oak creek neighborhood appeared before the Board asking that their school be moved. The matter was taken under advisement.

Citizens from the Rorday and Macedonia schools appear requesting consolidation at some point more accessible to all the patrons. This matter was also deferred for further investigation.

A petition from Cherry Lake asking the establishment of a school near Dr. Barnard's place was received. Action on this was promised later on as soon as investigation could be made.

Another petition from Mulberry Hill was received and filed.

The supervisor of Hickory Grove school called and notified the Board that he wanted the school to open about June 1st.

The question of building a house for the people around Live Oak church was discussed at length and finally laid over to next meeting.

The Board discussed building a new school at Simon station, and the consensus of opinion is that the house should be built and the school established without delay. The matter will be settled at next meeting.

Ordered that an addition of sixteen feet be added to Pineland school.

Settlement with the treasurer receipts for the month to be \$1836.75. Expenditures \$1239.45 balance on hand \$597.30.

Warrants issued for current month:
For teachers salaries, \$677.50
For building, 278.95
Insurance, 30.00
Printing, 7.75
School supplies, 73.25
For mileage and per diem of Bd, 28.40
Treasurer's commission, 30.75
For superintendent, 60.00

The Board adjourned to meet May 3rd.

WM. J. BLANTON, Chairman.
J. A. HUGHES, Secretary.

Report for the third quarter of this scholastic year follows:

Receipt of school funds from all sources, \$3,757.94. Expenditures, \$3,239.73. Number schools taught twelve. Number pupils enrolled 588. All the white schools are now closed except the High School and Ochlawilla, which later complete its term within ten days. The High School will close Friday, June 3rd. During the present school year, 58

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